(iv) Infrastructure Development Scheme for development of textile centers and setting up of Apparel Parks;

(v) Active involvement of State/UTs for effective implementation of Cotton Technology Mission (CTM) & Technology Mission on Jute to be launched shortly;

(vi) Increased/support & assistance to Handloom weavers by making use especially of the assistance offered under Deen Dayal Hathkargha Protsahan Yojana (DDHPY);

(vii) Availing benefits under Ambedkar Hastshilp Vikas Yojana (AHVY) for promoting integrated development of handicrafts through cluster approach and setting up & upgradation of State Design Centres;

(viii) Securing pro-active role of Banks/FIs in sanction and disbursement of credit to the textile sector and States/UTs to make adequate - provisions in the State credit plans particularly for the decentralize sector; and

(ix) Creation of a separate department of textiles in States/UTs.

(d) The Ministry has written to State Govts, in follow-up implementation of the resolutions of the Conference which is as continuous process.

Status of Revival of NTC Mills

437. SHRIMATI CHANDRA KALA PANDEY:

SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question 341 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 22nd November, 2000 and state:

(a) the unit-wise status of revival of NTC (WBABO) mills;

(b) the status of revival of NTC (WBABO) as a whole; and

(c) what is Government's time bound action plan for revival?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAY KUMAR): (a) and (b) Based on the Viability studies of units of NTC (WBABO), proposals for revival were furnished to the Operating Agency *viz.* IDBI appointed by BIFR. OA is in the process of finalising Draft Revival Scheme for submission to BIFR, who would take a final decision in the matter.

(c) Supreme Court directed BIFR on 18.7.2001 for finalisation of revival Plan within 8 weeks.

Sick Textile Mills

438. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of sick textile mills in the country, State-wise;

(b) the losses suffered by these textile mills during the last five years; and

(c) the measures taken by Government to make them economically viable?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAY KUMAR): (a) The State-wise number of sick textile mills registered with BIFR upto 31.3.2001 was as follows:—

State/UT	No. of Sick Mills
Andhra Pradesh	38
Bihar including Jharkhand	3
Chandigarh	1
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	5
Gujarat	86
Haryana	27
Himachal Pradesh	1
Kerala	8
Karnataka	27